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In re Application of :
Mark A. Strobel et al :
Application No. 09/724,615 :
Filed: November 28, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No. 55270USA8A.002 :

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.313 filed April 28, 2003, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on February 24, 2003 in the above-identified application cannot be refunded.¹ If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Wan Laymon at (703) 306-5685.

After receipt of the application in the Office of Petitions, the application will be forwarded to Technology Center AU 1773 for processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and the currently filed Amendment.

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¹ The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b), which includes the following language thereon: "Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above." Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form **must** be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).



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SUBJECT : Withdrawal from Issue of

Applicant(s) : Mark A. Strobel et al
Application No. : 09/724,615
Filed : November 28, 2000


The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,562,472 and an issue date of May 13, 2003.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicants.

Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of May 13, 2003:

"All reference to Patent No. 6,562,472 to Mark A. Strobel et al of Maplewood, MN for FLAME-TREATING PROCESSING appearing in the Official Gazette of May 13, 2003 should be deleted since no patent was granted."


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